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SUBJECT: MEETING OF LATIN AMERICAN SUGAR PRODUCERS

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1. AT A PRESS CONFERENCE, SEVERAL DELEGATES TO THE MEETING OF LATIN AMERICAN SUGAR PRODUCERS ANNOUNCED THAT THE GROUP WILL NOW MAINTAIN ITS OWN STATISTICS ON WORLD SUGAR CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION. THEY WILL DO THIS IN ORDER TO REDUCE THEIR DEPENDENCE ON THE POSSIBLYDISTORTED INFORMATION PRODUCED BY THE LARGE SUGAR-CONSUMING NATIONS WHICH DESIGN THE STATISTICS TO SERVE THEIR OWN INTERESTS (SIC).

2. EMILIANO LEZCANO, THE CUBAN DELEGATE TO THE MEETING, IS IN CHARGE OF THE COMMISSION ON MARKETS. THE COMMISSION ESTIMATED THAT PRODUCTION DURING THE PERIOD SEPTEMBER 1975 TO AUGUST 1976 WILL TOTAL 81,130,000 METRIC TONS, WHICH WILL BE 1,600,000 METRIC TONS GREATER THAN PRODUCTION DURING THE PREVIOUS 12-MONTH PERIOD. CONSUMPTION FOR THE SAME PERIOD WILL BE BETWEEN 80,760,000 METRIC TONS AND 81,156,000 METRIC TONS. AS OF AUGUST 31, 1975. WORLDWIDE SUGAR STOCKS AMOUNTED TO 15,888,000 METRIC TONS.

3. COMMENT: DESPITE THE CUBAN DELEGATE'S CALL TO
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"DEFEND THE PRICE OF SUGAR," THE MEETING SEEMS TO BE

CONCENTRATING ON THE TECHNICAL ASPECTS OF
THE SUBJECT.
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